

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Astafiev et al.	Attorney Docket:	25065-33
Serial No.:	10/574,093	Examiner:	Not yet assigned
Filing Date:	July 31, 2006	Group Art Unit:	3641
Entitled:	Method for Producing Ceramic Nuclear Fuel Tablets, Device and Container for Carrying Out Said Method	Confirmation No.:	9788
		Customer No.:	46591

**STATUS INQUIRY**

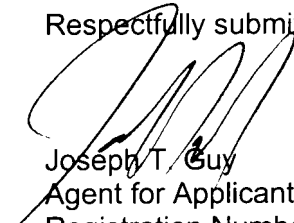
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The above referenced application was filed on September 29, 2006. The Filing Receipt and the Notice of Publication have been received, however no further communication has been forth coming from The Office.

Applicant respectfully inquires as to when examination may begin.

Respectfully submitted,



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